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- **Audiovestibular medicine** ^[1]

Doctors in audiovestibular medicine (AVM) investigate, diagnose and manage hearing, balance and communication disorders in adults and children from birth onwards.

Training and qualifications required

Training usually starts with a five year first degree in medicine. Then there's two years foundation doctor training, two years core training (CT1-CT2), followed by five years specialists training (ST3-ST7). This period of training will include your royal college exams. Length of training can vary according to your circumstances.

Expected working hours and salary range

Doctors may work up to 48 hours a week. The working hours may sometimes extend beyond the normal working day to include early mornings, evenings and weekends, on-call unlikely. Pay scales (2017): Consultants earn between £76,761 and £103,490.

Desirable skills and values

This role requires an ability to reflect on your own practice. You'll be knowledgeable about self-regulations and control. A professional approach is important. You'll have excellent communication skills, team working and leadership skills. You'll also have an interest in working across the full spectrum of organs and body systems. Keen to stay up to date in audiovestibular clinical practice, you'll contribute to research and training. Good administrative and organisational skills are also important.

Prospects

There are 37 consultants in audiovestibular medicine in England in 2016. Opportunities exist for research and teaching.

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